

STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

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In the matter of Distilled Spirit Standard Bottle Sizes, Distributed by the Authorized Distribution Agents)
General Wine & Liquor Company, Inc. 373 Victor Avenue Highland Park, MI 48203)
NWS Michigan, LLC 13000 Eckles Road Livonia, MI 48150)
Imperial Beverage Company 3825 Emerald Drive Kalamazoo, MI 49001)

At the February 13, 2020 meeting of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission (Commission) in Southfield, Michigan.

PRESENT: Pat Gagliardi, Chair

Dennis Olshove, Commissioner Geralyn A. Lasher, Commissioner

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 2020-03 STANDARD BOTTLE SIZES

Article IV, Section 40, of the Constitution of Michigan (1963), permits the Legislature to establish a Liquor Control Commission, which shall exercise complete control of the alcoholic beverage traffic within this state, including the retail sales thereof, subject to statutory limitations. The Commission has the sole right, power, and duty to control the alcoholic beverage traffic and traffic in other alcoholic liquor within this state, including the manufacture, importation, possession, transportation and sale thereof, subject to the Liquor Control Code's provisions. MCL 436.1201(2).

Further, the Commission may establish, by order, further business operating procedures for authorized distribution agents (ADAs) relative to the wholesaling and distribution of spirits. Mich Admin Code, R 436.1802(14).

The Commission finds that standard bottle sizes are necessary to regulate distilled spirit products for sale within the state.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- A. Standard bottle size values are 50 milliliters (ML), 100 ML, 200 ML, 375 ML, 750 ML, 1000 ML and 1750 ML.
- B. Each 50 ML, 100 ML, 200 ML, 375 ML, 750 ML,1000 ML or 1750 ML distilled spirit bottle cannot be composed of smaller sizes to "equal" a standard bottle size.
- C. The certified ADAs may warehouse and distribute only those standard bottle size values that have been approved by the Commission.
- D. This Administrative Order is effective immediately.
- E. Products currently listed that do not comply with this Order will be delisted effective May 3, 2020, and not available for pickup by or delivery to licensees on or after that date. Products received by licensees prior to May 3, 2020 may continue to be sold by licensees on or after May 3, 2020 until the product is depleted.

MICHIGAN LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION

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Dated: February 13, 2020

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